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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PARM, UNGA
SUBJECT: SSOD: WESTERN GROUP NON-PAPER ON MACHINERY
ISSUES

1. IN PREPARATION FOR THE SSOD, AUSTRALIAN MISOFF
OXLEY AND NORWEGIAN MISOFF LINDSTROM HAVE PROVIDED US
ON MAY 15 WITH A NON-PAPER ON MACHINERY PREPARED AT
THE NEW YORK DELEGATION LEVEL BY THE CO-SPONSORS OF
THE WESTERN PAPER ON MACHINERY (A/AC.187/103). OXLEY
AND LINDSTROM INFORMED US THAT THEY HAVE GIVEN THIS
TEXT ON A CONFIDENTIAL BASIS ONLY TO U.S. AND FRANCE.
THEY ENVISAGE THE POSSIBLE USE OF THIS PAPER, EITHER
IN ITS ENTIRETY OR IN PART, DURING THE NEGOTIATIONS IN
THE MACHINERY WORKING GROUP AT THE SSOD. THEY FURTHER
STATED THAT AT A LATER STAGE, THEY WOULD CONSIDER
GIVING IT TO THE SOVIETS AND KEY NON-ALIGNED. LINDSTROM
REQUESTED U.S. VIEWS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO ASSIST
CO-SPONSORS OF THE WESTERN PAPER IN FURTHER DEVELOPING
THEIR STRATEGY.

2. IN SEPARATE DISCUSSION ON MAY 15, FRENCH UN
COUNSELLOR LENNUYEUX-COMNENE TOLD AMBASSADOR LEONARD
THAT THEIR UN MISSION BELIEVES SUB-PARA (I) OF THE
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NON-PAPER WILL BE UNACCEPTABLE TO PARIS. THIS SUBPARA
STATES THAT THE CCD SHOULD RECONSTITUTE ITSELF AS THE
DISARMAMENT COMMITTEE. IN THE FRENCH VIEW, THIS MEANS
THAT THE CCD WOULD REMAIN AN INDEPENDENT BODY RATHER
THAN AN ORGAN LINKED TO THE UNITED NATIONS.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: USUN REQUIRES DEPT VIEWS FOR

RESPONSE TO OXLEY AND LINDSTROM.

4. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF THE WESTERN GROUP NON-PAPER
ON MACHINERY.

- (THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:)

(1) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY RE-AFFIRMS THE NEED FOR A
SINGLE MULTILATERAL NEGOTIATING FORUM OF LIMITED SIZE AND
TAKING DECISIONS ON THE BASIS OF CONSENSUS FOR DISARMAMENT
QUESTION. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS RE-AFFIRMATION, THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY REQUESTS THE CCD TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOW-
ING PROPOSALS AND TO MAKE A SPECIAL REPORT ON THE MATTER
TO THE THIRTY-THIRD SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

- (I) THE CCD RECONSTITUTE ITSELF AS THE DISARMAMENT
COMMITTEE. EXCEPT FOR THE CHANGES PROPOSED BELOW THE
ORGANIZATIONAL ARRANGEMENTS CURRENTLY IN BEING FOR THE
CCD SHOULD CONTINUE FOR THE COMMITTEE.

- (II) THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF THE COMMITTEE SHOULD BE
SHARED BY ALL MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON A BASIS TO BE
AGREED BY THEM.

- (III) THE SIZE OF THE DISARMAMENT COMMITTEE SHOULD
BE LARGER THAN THAT OF THE CCD BUT SHOULD NOT HAVE MORE
THAN 40 MEMBERS, INCLUDING THE PERMANENT MEMBERS OF THE
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SECURITY COUNCIL AND STATES HAVING A PARTICULAR INTEREST
IN DISARMAMENT QUESTIONS. THE COMPOSITION OF ITS MEMBER-
SHIP SHOULD REFLECT ADEQUATE POLITICAL BALANCE AND TAKE
INTO ACCOUNT THE NEED FOR APPROPRIATE REGIONAL REPRESENTA-
TION.

- (IV) THE MANDATE OF THE COMMITTEE SHOULD BE TO
NEGOTIATE APPROPRIATE MEASURES COVERING ANY ASPECTS OF
DISARMAMENT ON THE BASIS OF RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY, AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE EXISTING
AGENDA OF THE CCD.

THE COMMITTEE SHOULD ALSO CONSIDER OTHER DISARMAMENT
MEASURES INTRODUCED AT THE INITIATIVE OF ANY OF ITS MEMBERS
OR OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL.

- (V) THE COMMITTEE SHOULD SUBMIT AN ANNUAL REPORT
TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY. THE COMMITTEE SHOULD SUBMIT MORE
FREQUENT REPORTS AS NECESSARY.

- (VI) ARRANGEMENTS SHOULD BE MADE FOR INTERESTED
STATES, NOT MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE, TO BECOME OBSERVERS
OF THE COMMITTEE. ALL MEMBER STATES OF THE UN SHOULD

HAVE THE RIGHT TO SUBMIT DIRECTLY TO THE COMMITTEE PROPOSALS OR WORKING DOCUMENTS ON MEASURES OF DISARMAMENT THAT ARE THE SUBJECT OF NEGOTIATIONS IN THE COMMITTEE AND TO PARTICIPATE IN ITS PROCEEDINGS AS WELL AS IN THE APPROPRIATE WORKING BODIES WHEN THE SUBJECT MATTER OF SUCH PROPOSALS OR WORKING DOCUMENTS IS EXAMINED.

- (VII) ARRANGEMENTS SHOULD BE MADE THROUGH WHICH STATES NOT MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE MAY BE INVITED, UPON THEIR REQUEST, TO PARTICIPATE IN THE COMMITTEE'S WORK WHEN THEIR PARTICULAR CONCERNS ARE UNDER DISCUSSION.

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- (VIII) OTHER ARRANGEMENTS SHOULD BE MADE FOR INTERESTED STATES NOT MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE COMMITTEE'S WORK.

(2) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY DECIDES THAT AN ITEM BE INCLUDED ON THE AGENDA OF THE THIRTY-THIRD SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ENTITLED "DISARMAMENT NEGOTIATING MACHINERY - SPECIAL REPORT OF THE CCD." LEONARD

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